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Michio Ono et al.	)	
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For: SILICA SOL COMPOSITION,	)	
MEMBRANE ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY	)	
WITH PROTON-EXCHANGE	)	
MEMBRANE, AND FUEL CELL	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the subject application, please amend the application as follows.